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1. The Bulgarian government recently issued a directive to all accredited diplomatic representatives in Czechoslovakia with instruction for the return of all Bulgarian citizens residing there. The directive applied to Bulgarians who have lived in Czechoslovakia for generations, and provided severe penalties, up to the death sentence, for violators.

2. This action allegedly resulted in an attempt of several Bulgarians to escape to the West.

3. Because of the similarity of the Czech and Bulgarian regimes, it is most unlikely anyone could obtain political asylum in Czechoslovakia.

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